Pray for us ~~my~~ that we as missionaries of the Cross of Christ may never fall into the sinful luxuries & extravagences of the men of the world - Witt prudence we find it cheaper living here than in the principal towns in our own country - We all live in one family & in one house - We expect to be confined here at least six months, as no vessel can leave this port after a few days until after the breaking up of the S.W. Monsoons which will be some months, during ~~which~~ we shall have what is called the winter or rainy season - Rain perhaps almost every day - We are about to commence the instruction of several native youths in the Engl^h. language & the principles of the Chn. religion & we may engage in Eng^h. schools for European youths; also in Native free schools - The Government are very friendly to us & urge us strongly to stay on the Island & they will give us every assistance they can -

The Lord has given us favour in the sight of those in authority here - We have visited all the principal persons in authority. The ~~Hon~~ Hon^le. & Rev Mr Twisleton sen^r. Chaplin a church Minister is very kind to us - He is obtaining our schools for us -

I write this letter in haste to send by a young man going to Calcutta to day - I have nothing more now to add - Our number are all in health -

This I write to all our family

I am dear Brother & sister your[s]
in the Lord

Solo. & S. Weeks -

Edward Warren

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